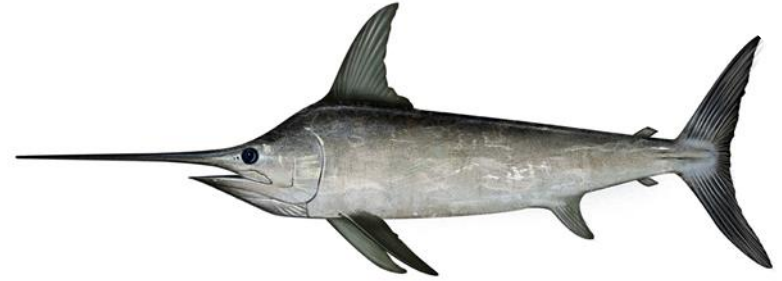




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2014 North and South Atlantic Swordfish Quota Specifications

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Outline

- Proposed North Atlantic Swordfish Adjusted Quota
- 2013 Swordfish Quota Utilization
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ICCAT Recommendation 13-02: North Atlantic Swordfish

- Atlantic-wide TAC of 10,300.8 mt dw (13,700 mt ww)
- U.S. base quota allocation is 2,937.6 mt dw
- Maximum underharvest carryover of 25% of the baseline quota (734.4 mt dw) reduced to 15% starting in 2015
- Annual quota transfer from the United States to Morocco changed to a lower annual quota transfer to Mauritania
- This Recommendation applies to 2014, 2015 and 2016

Proposed North Atlantic Swordfish Adjusted Quota

2013 Landings ----- 2,028.8 mt dw

2013 Underharvest ----- 1,480.4 mt dw

Base Quota 2,937.6 mt dw

Max Underharvest Carryover + 734.4 mt dw

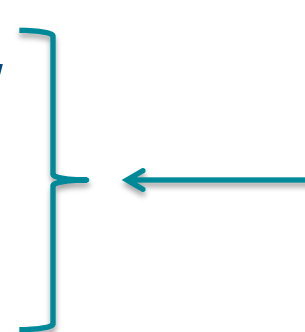
Quota Transfer to Mauritania - 18.8 mt dw

Adjusted Quota 3,653.2 mt dw

Directed Category - 3,303.2 mt dw

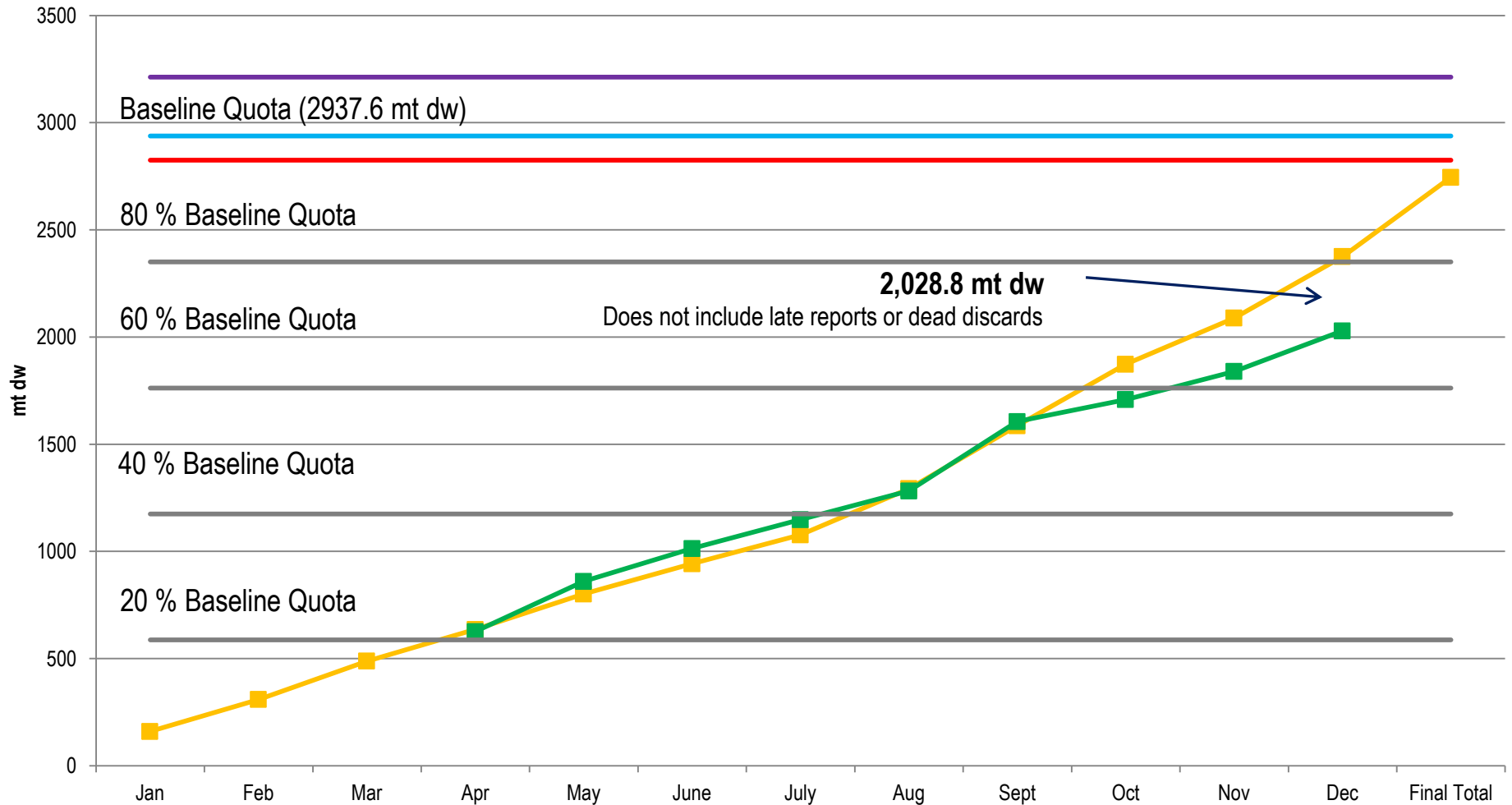
Incidental Category - 300 mt dw

Reserve Category - 50 mt dw



2013 North Atlantic Swordfish Quota Utilization

■ 2012 ■ 2013 — Point where carryover will be impacted (2824.8 mt dw) [25%] — Point where carryover will be impacted (3213 mt dw) [15%]



ICCAT Recommendation 13-03: South Atlantic Swordfish

- Atlantic-wide TAC of 11,278.2 mt dw (15,000 mt ww)
- U.S. base quota allocation is 75.2 mt dw
- Maximum U.S. underharvest carryover of 100% of the baseline quota (75.2 mt dw)
- Annual 75.2 mt dw quota transfer from the United States to other countries
- This Recommendation applies to 2014, 2015 and 2016

Proposed South Atlantic Swordfish Adjusted Quota

2013 Landings ----- 0.1 mt dw

2013 Underharvest ----- 75.1 mt dw

Base Quota 75.2 mt dw

Max Underharvest Carryover + 75.1 mt dw

International Quota Transfers - 75.2 mt dw

Adjusted Quota 75.1 mt dw

Timeline

- Proposed Rule Published May 14, 2014
- Comment Period Ends June 13, 2014
- Final Rule should publish in late summer

Request for Public Comments

Comment period closes on **June 13, 2014**

Please identify comments with NOAA-NMFS-2014-0054

Please submit comments to: <http://www.regulations.gov>,
Keyword - “NOAA-NMFS-2014-0054”

Comments can also be submitted by mail: Attn: Margo Schulze-Haugen,
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